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To Whom it May Concern,

Engineering review was conducted for striping and pavement marking improvements along S. Washington Street, heading South of Highway 49 to Highway 108, to determine if adjustments were warranted to the existing striping and pavement markings. Through this review, two ladder style crosswalks are being recommended for removal for the various safety reasons outlined below.

North side of the intersection of S. Washington Street and Church Street:

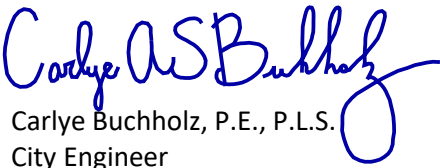
- Crosswalk is approximately 90 feet in length.
 - MUTCD guidelines recommend accounting for less than 3.5 feet/sec for wheelchair users, equating to approx.. 30 seconds to cross.
- Location is not stop controlled.
- Close proximity to another crosswalk, 40 feet away, which is almost half the length.
- Geometry of this intersection requires pedestrians to enter into the roadway 30 feet, on the Northeast side, before motorists travelling North can visually see someone in the crosswalk.

Intersection of S. Washington Street and June Street:

- Crosswalk is approximately 40 in length.
- Location is not stop controlled.
- Close proximity to another crosswalk 120 feet away.
- Crosswalk terminates into a wall and culvert on the West side posing a tripping hazard.
- Large elevation grade to get to existing sidewalk.

In conclusion, I recommend removing these two ladder crosswalks to improve pedestrian safety while not removing access points due to close proximity to safer crossing alternatives.

Sincerely,


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City Engineer